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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF STATEMENT ON NEUTRALITY TO BE
MADE BY INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY (IEA) GOVERNING
BOARD ON NOVEMBER 18 AS AGREED BY ECG CHAIRMAN DAVIGNON,
REPRESENTATIVES OF AUSTRIA, SWEDEN, SWITZERLAND AND US
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DEL TO NOVEMBER 12 ECG WORKING GROUP:

QUOTE: THE GOVERNING BOARD TAKES NOTE OF THE DECLARATIONS MADE BY AUSTRIA, SWEDEN, AND SWITZERLAND CONCERNING THEIR NEUTRALITY. IT TAKES NOTE EQUALLY THAT THESE THREE COUNTRIES HAVE JUDGED ADHERENCE TO THE AGREEMENT COMPATIBLE WITH THEIR NEUTRALITY. THE THREE COUNTRIES ADHERE TO THE AGREEMENT WITH ALL THE OBLIGATIONS WHICH IT COMPRISES AND COMMIT THEMSELVES TO PUT INTO FORCE ALL ITS PROVISIONS. THEIR COMMITMENT TO ACHIEVE THE PURPOSES OF THE AGREEMENT AND THEIR DETERMINATION TO PUT IT INTO FORCE ARE NOT DIMINISHED BY THE DECLARATIONS MADE AT THE TIME OF SIGNATURE. UNQUOTE.

2. GOVERNING BOARD STATEMENT WILL BE ISSUED IN RESPONSE TO UNILATERAL STATEMENTS ISSUED BY NEUTRALS TO EFFECT THAT THEIR ADHERENCE TO IEP IS NOT INCOMPATIBLE WITH THEIR POLICY OF NEUTRALITY AND THAT THEIR PARTICIPATION WILL NOT IMPEDE THEM FROM ACTING IN MANNER WHICH THEY JUDGE NECESSARY TO CONFORM TO THAT POLICY. NEUTRALS STRESSED THAT THEIR DECLARATIONS WERE NOT DESIGNED TO PROVIDE THEM WITH A POSSIBLE ESCAPE CLAUSE FROM THEIR OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE IEP. STATEMENT TO BE MADE BY IEA GOVERNING BOARD, OF WHICH NEUTRALS WILL THEN BE MEMBERS, IS NOT A COMMENT ON OR INTERPRETATION OF THEIR NEUTRALITY. HOWEVER, IT DOES: A) MAKE FORMAL NOTE OF THE COMPATIBILITY BETWEEN NETRALITY AND IEP MEMBERSHIP; B) CLEARLY RECORD THAT THE THREE NEUTRALS HAVE THE SAME LEGAL COMMITMENTS AS ALL OTHER PARTIES TO THE IEP; AND C) RECORD THEIR POLITICAL COMMITMENT TO THE OBJECTIVES OF THE AGREEMENT. KISSINGER

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